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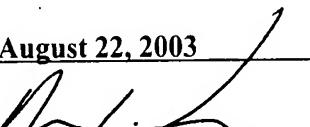
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Sir:

This is a request for filing a

Continuation Divisional

application of pending prior application Serial No. 10/020,573 filed October 31, 2001

for [Title]: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

by [Inventors]: Takashi KOBAYASHI of Nagano, JAPAN;
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1. A copy of the prior application is attached including Declaration.
2. Cancel in this application original claims 1 - 33 and 114 - 115 of prior application before calculating the filing fee. At least one original independent claim is retained for filing purposes.
3. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This is a Continuation Division of application Serial No. 10/020,573 filed October 31, 2001--

4. New Formal Informal drawings are enclosed:
Fig(s) 1-43.
5. Priority of foreign application(s) No.: 2000-331840 filed October 31, 2000 in JAPAN;
2000-355741 filed November 22, 2000 in JAPAN; 2000-361106 filed November 28, 2000 in
JAPAN; 2001-119221 filed April 18, 2001 in JAPAN is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
6. Certified copies were filed in prior application No. 10/020,573.
7. The prior application is assigned of record to Fuji Electric Co., Ltd., the assigned was recorded at Reel 012706, Frame 0947.
8. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.
9. An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.
10. It is requested that the prior art made of record in the prior application 10/020,573 be cited and made of record in the present application.
11. Small entity status was established in the parent application.
12. Fees calculated based on claims filed in prior application, less any claims canceled above or by preliminary amendment.

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			<u>\$750.00</u>

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Claims	83 - 20 = 63	x \$ 18.00	= \$1,134.00
Independent Claims	3 - 3 = 0	x \$ 84.00	= 0.00

Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)	+ \$ 280.00	= <u>0.00</u>
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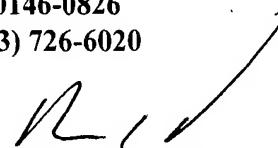
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13. [] THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE THE ABOVE FEES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ _____ AND ANY OTHER FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 18-2056.
14. [] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 18-2056: any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17; and any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for presentation of extra claims.
15. [x] A power of attorney was filed in the prior application to Marc A. Rossi, Registration No. 31,923:
- [x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
[] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
[x] c. Address all future communications to

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